



Keith Community Council

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 4th June 2018 at Keith Community Centre

1. **Members in attendance** Neil Kidd (Chair), Susan Hutcheon, Fiona Addison (from 7.25pm), Steve Hickin, Dave Carson and Catherine Sinclair

Also in attendance: PC Kyle Mackinnon (Police Scotland), Cllr Gatt

Welcome and Apologies: Neil welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Sandy Dickson (Vice Chair), Sandra Clark, Marguerite Cruickshank, and Cllr Shepherd

2. **Approval of minutes from last meeting:** The minutes were approved as accurate by Susan Hutcheon and seconded by Neil Kidd

3. **Police Matters:**

The Community Safety Report was read and discussed. From the last meeting, the bale of hay has been investigated and road patrols have been stepped up re speeding. There was also a discussion about anti-social behaviour in Keith and specific concerns that members of the public had raised were passed on. Again, the Police urge people to report concerns on 101. These are logged centrally and the intelligence is used to direct patrols and resources. Meanwhile, Police are aware of these crimes of disorder and are clearing them and inroads are being made. Enquiries into vandalism at St Rufus Park are ongoing and the possibility of placing a temporary CCTV camera will be looked into.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

No report

5. **Matters arising from the last minutes:**

Registration as a Data Controller – registered but to fill in details of payment. It was agreed to pay by Direct Debit as this costs £35 rather than £40 p.a. **ACTION: Complete Direct Debit mandate**

Room hire fees for Keith Community Bus – C/F

Auld Brig –**ACTION: Neil to contact Keith Heritage Group to establish who carried out the safety inspection and work previously**

CCTV – as discussed with Police

Crossing patrollers – C/F

Public Toilets – the toilet in Regent Square will remain open.

Defibrillator – will be fitted soon

Secretary – It was agreed the role could be split into a minute secretary and secretary role. A secretary will be sought. **ACTION: Catherine ask Jamie to attend and minute July meeting**

6. Correspondence:

There are a number of online surveys and local workshops and events on Gmail. Anyone is welcome to complete or attend.

Information about placing a memorial bench – referred to Ken Kennedy, Moray Council

Budget Consultation – events were shared on Facebook and posters put up in town. There is a survey available which will be shared too.

7. Community Councillors' Update:

- **Planning & Licensing.** There are applications in: One to convert a garage to a bedroom on Fife Street and one for an office at Clark Sutherland.
- **Signs, street furniture and marketing.** No report
- **Roads and rights of way.** Actions carried forward. **ACTION: Neil to contact BEAR**
- **Environment and General Issues.** Complaints have been received about the amount of littering by Keith Grammar School pupils at lunchtime. **ACTION: Steve to contact Head Teacher**
- **Cllr Theresa Coull.** No report
- **Cllr Gatt.** Written report submitted.
Keith Bandstand – as per Keith in Flower
Auld Brig (via Cllr Coull) - the bridge and adjacent land are not owned by Moray Council although it has carried out some inspections and work previously. Advice would be to contact Ken Kennedy.
Constituency work as detailed in report
Withdrawal of the Conservative and Unionist Party from the ruling Administration

There was discussion on notifying households adjacent to St Rufus Park about the planned location of the trim trail. **ACTION: Neil to ask St Rufus Park Regeneration Group to contact Cllr Gatt directly**

8. External Group Updates:

- **KSRP** – no update
- **Christmas Lights** – new volunteer Callum Stewart has been very active and work on refurbishing and replacing lights is progressing well. The next meeting is being rescheduled.
- **Scots Toun** – no update
- **Keith in Flower** – looking into getting a new hut to provide shade and shelter to park visitors. The group are planning to secure the safety fencing more securely to stop it swaying in the wind and to camouflage it with green netting. There are also plans to plant trees and install a picnic bench and tables as well as a memorial bench in memory of Linda's son Stuart. Keith Community Council is asked to place a sign on the planters outside the institute to show they are sponsoring them. Thanks to all those who helped with the planting day on June and on behalf of Keith Community

Council, thanks to Keith in Flower for all their efforts – Peter Watt, Linda Harper, David and Joan Ross, Ronnie Grant, Elizabeth Copp, Fiona Addison and thanks to Alan Mair and Dennis Innes for the plants.

ACTION: Cllr Gatt to ask if it would be possible to lift grass after cutting to compliment the planting

9. Beatrice Micro-grants

Nine grant applications of £250.00 were received. It was agreed all fit with the criteria of the fund. We will notify them by letter and enclose a cheque. Applicants will be asked to acknowledge receipt of the cheque and to submit copies of receipts.

Applications were as follows:

2nd Keith Scout Group - Repair roof of equipment shelter

Keith Golf Club - Improvements to bar area

Keith Community Radio Ltd - Printer, computer display screen, ancillary equipment & install fee

Keith & District Men's Shed - Security system

Keith & Strathisla Regeneration Group - Interim funding for web editor

Longmore Hall Steering Group - Admin funds for community asset transfer

Speyside Copper Dogs - Training equipment

Keith Poultry, Pigeon, Rabbit & Cage Bird Assoc - Prize cards and rosettes

Taylor Court Residents' Association - Subsidise fortnightly social sessions

One application has not yet been received. **ACTION: Catherine to chase up**

10. AOCB:

Sandy McCombie is to be Keith Rotary Club's Citizen of the Year

Date of next meeting: 2nd July 7pm, Keith Community Centre